

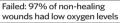


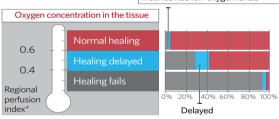
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#### OXYGEN AND WOUND HEALING<sup>1</sup>

- Oxygen is needed at all phases of wound healing
- Insufficient wound tissue oxygenation is a major risk factor for delayed healing
- Low levels of oxygen in the wound may be due to poor tissue perfusion and/or underlying comorbidities (e.g. diabetes)
- The majority of non-healing wounds have low oxygen levels

#### Poorly oxygenated wounds almost never heal





<sup>\*</sup>Regional perfusion index: oxygen levels in wound vs oxygen levels in upper-body skin Source: Hauser CJ. Tissue salvage by mapping of skin surface transcutaneous oxygen tension index. Arch Surg 1987; 122(10): 1128-30

## Practical solutions to deliver oxygen to the wound bed are needed



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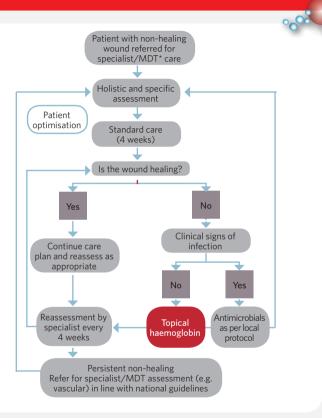
#### ABOUT TOPICAL HAEMOGLOBIN: GRANULOX

- Granulox is an easy-to-use aqueous solution containing haemoglobin molecules
- The spray is designed to transport oxygen to slow-healing and non-healing wounds such as diabetic foot ulcers, pressure ulcers, venous leg ulcers and surgical wounds
- Topical haemogloblin can be considered after 4 weeks of standard care if the wound fails to respond substantially to treatment

# The evidence for Granulox is building in chronic wounds, with reports of:

- ✓ Statistically significant reduction in wound surface area of 53.4% in patients with chronic venous ulcers. Patients in the Granulox group had a 75% increase in granulation (vs 18% controls) and a 78% increase in epithelialisation (vs 7%) at 13 weeks²
- ✓ 100% reduction in slough over a period of 4 weeks in patients with diabetic foot wounds³
- Reduction in wound size in 17 out of 18 patients with pressure ulcers<sup>4</sup>
- ✓ No product-related adverse events and well-tolerated by patients<sup>2-5</sup>
- A positive impact on pain and quality of life<sup>2</sup>

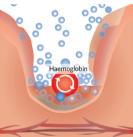
### WHEN TO USE GRANULOX<sup>1</sup>



<sup>\*</sup>Multidisciplinary team

### **HOW GRANULOX WORKS<sup>2</sup>**





- Wound fluid prevents atmospheric oxygen from reaching the wound bed
- When Granulox is applied to the wound, ambient oxygen can bind to the haemoglobin molecules within the solution
- Oxygen is transported by the haemoglobin to tissues where the concentration of oxygen is low and is then released due to the difference in partial pressures
- As oxygen is delivered to the wound bed, low oxygen levels in the tissues are reversed and processes needed for tissue regeneration are stimulated
- As the haemoglobin does not get used up, it can create a cycle of continuous oxygen transport
- This cycle lasts up to 72 hours, with oxygen being delivered continuously to the tissues that are using the oxygen to restart wound healing processes

### PRACTICAL TIPS FOR USING GRANULOX<sup>1</sup>

- Inform patients of the red appearance of the product in advance of use
- Discuss the ingredients of Granulox and address any concerns
- Excess exudate levels should be managed prior to the start of treatment
- Take appropriate action to avoid staining of clothes and use an appropriate (breathable) secondary dressing to prevent strikethrough and leakage
- Cleanse the wound at each dressing change. Assess the wound and debride as appropriate
- Reapply Granulox at every dressing change, with a maximum wear time of 3 days
- To prevent the nozzle from becoming blocked, consider rinsing the nozzle with warm water or saline directly after use
- Depending on wound size, one spray can is sufficient for approximately 30 applications
- Ideally Granulox should be stored in the fridge. If not possible, non-refrigerated products will last at least 6 weeks

